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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

SUBJECT: Navy Participation in the National Reconnaissance Office ~~(TS)~~

1. Reference is made to memorandum from the Secretary of Defense to the Service Secretaries and other addressees, subject: ~~(TS)~~ Assistant for Reconnaissance, dated 6 September 1961, with attached agreement between the Department of Defense and the Central Intelligence Agency.

2. In order to assure that the best talents and resources of the Department of Defense are applied to this problem, it would be desirable to have appropriate full time Navy representation in the National Reconnaissance Office. I would be pleased to review technically qualified candidates you might care to nominate for such consideration.

Joseph V. Charyk
Under Secretary of the Air Force

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF, USAF

SUBJECT: (S) National Reconnaissance Office

Transmitted herewith are four documents by which the charter of the (S) National Reconnaissance Office has been amended and updated. These documents supersede the attachments to my Top Secret memorandum of 7 September 1961, subject: (TS) Establishment of the (S) National Reconnaissance Office.

Since the (S) NRO is a secret operating agency, its actual functions and observable activities must be concealed under unclassified names and apparent functions. The Office of Space Systems, OSAF, will cover the (S) NRO Staff, and the Director, Office of Space Systems actually will be the (S) Director, NRO Staff. Administrative and logistic support for this staff will be provided by the Office of the Secretary.

All matters pertaining to (S) NRO matters will be handled by the Under Secretary in his capacity as the (S) Director, National Reconnaissance Office. It is imperative that he be given all Air Force support required for this vital task.

Signed

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1. (TS) DOD-CIA Agreement re NRO, dtd 2 May 1962, cy #3.
2. DOD Directive # TS 5105.23, subj: (S) National Reconnaissance Office, dtd 14 June 1962, cy # 3.
3. (TS) DepSecDef memo for Secy AF & other addressees, subj: (TS) DOD-CIA Agreement, dtd 14 June 1962, cy #3.
4. (S) DepSecDef memo for Secy AF & other addressees, subj: (S) National Reconnaissance Office, dtd 14 June 62, cy # 4.